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- 1. EL HEFNI ADVISES EGYPTIANS HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH LIMITING SOCIAL INVITATIONS AS SUGGESTED REFTEL. TO AVOID EMBARRASSMENT, HOWEVER, EL HEFNI WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING SOONEST WHICH FUNCTIONS WILL BE LIMITED.
- 2. EL HEFNI ASKED WE REITERATE TO DEPARTMENT THAT SHERIF KHAFAGA IS SPEAKER'S PERSONAL BODYGUARD AND WILL ATTEND ALL RPT ALL SOCIAL FUNCTIONS. KHAFAGA WILL BE GUIDED BY SY PROCEDURES IN DOING SO.
- 3. SPEAKER WISHES MEETING WITH BLACK CAUCUS, TEA AT RAYBURN BUILDING AND VISIT TO SENATE REMAIN AS SCHEDULED.
- 4. EL HEFNI ADVISED THAT MEETING WITH SECRETARY VANCE WILL BE IN CONTEXT JUNE 23 LUNCHEON. THIS PRESENTS NO RPT NO PROBLEM. HOWEVER, EL HEFNI SUGGESTED SPEAKER MAY WISH SPEAK PRIVATELY WITH SECRETARY FOR FEW MINUTES EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER LINCHEON.

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5. MAREI PARTY NOW SCHEDULED ARRIVE NEW YORK JUNE 14
VIA TWA 803. PARTY WILL CONTINUE SAME DAY TO WASHINGTON
ON TWA 063. EL HEFNI REQUESTED SECURITY BE PROVIDED FROM
NEW YORK LANDING ONWARD. EGYPTIANS REMAIN CONCERNED ABOUT
SPEAKER'S SAFETY. EL HEFNI STATED WRONG DATE FOR DEPARTURE AND SPURIOUS COMPOSITION OF DELEGATION GIVEN
NEWSPAPERS IN CONSCIOUS DECEPTION EFFORT. LIKEWISE

BOOKINGS HAVE NOT BEEN MADE IN REAL NAMES. TRAVEL WITH-IN U.S., AS WELL AS HOTEL RESERVATIONS, ARE SOLELY IN GHORBAL'S HANDS. SUGGEST DEPARTMENT COORDINATE.

6. AS FINAL NOTE, EL HAFNI SUGGESTED ADDITIONAL "SEC-RETARY", MOHAMAD RAMSIS HEGAZI, MAY ACCOMPANY DELEGATION AND WOULD FIT ON PROTOCOL LIST IMMEDIATELY AFTER KHAFAGA. SHOULD HE GO, HAGAZI WILL ONLY PARTICIPATE IN WASHINGTON PORTION OF TRIP. EILTS

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